

## CLAIMS:

1. A device for reading information stored on an information plate (1) and/or writing information on an information plate (1), comprising a loading mechanism for loading and unloading the information plate (1), ~~characterized~~ *wherein*

~~in that~~ the loading mechanism comprises at least one movable scanning lever (5) for

5 detecting the position of the information plate (1), which lever is designed to contact the plate edge of the information plate (1), and

in that a position sensor is provided for supplying position information on the position of the information plate (1) in dependence on the position of the scanning lever (5).

10A 12. A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized~~ *wherein* in that the position sensor is constructed as a variable resistor (6), and in that the scanning lever (5) changes the resistance of the variable resistor (6) in dependence on the position of the information plate (1).

15 3. A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized~~ *wherein*  
~~in that~~ the position sensor is constructed as an electronic encoder switch, and in that the scanning lever (5) changes the code of the encoder switch in dependence on the position of the information plate (1).

4. A device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized~~ *wherein*  
20 ~~in that~~ the loading mechanism comprises two guides arranged on pivoting arms (4a, 4c) with grooves for the edge of the information plate (1),  
in that one of the guides is constructed as a transport wheel (2) which can be driven into rotation and the other guide as a roller element (3),  
in that the pivoting levers (4a, 4c) are coupled to one another,  
25 in that the transport wheel (2) and the roller element (3) can be pressed against the plate edge for the purpose of loading and unloading the information plate (1), and  
in that the roller element (3) is journaled so as to be rotatable through an angular range and is prestressed against a stop under spring force.

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